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# PLASTIC MAN

THE INDESTRUCTIBLE  
WIZARD



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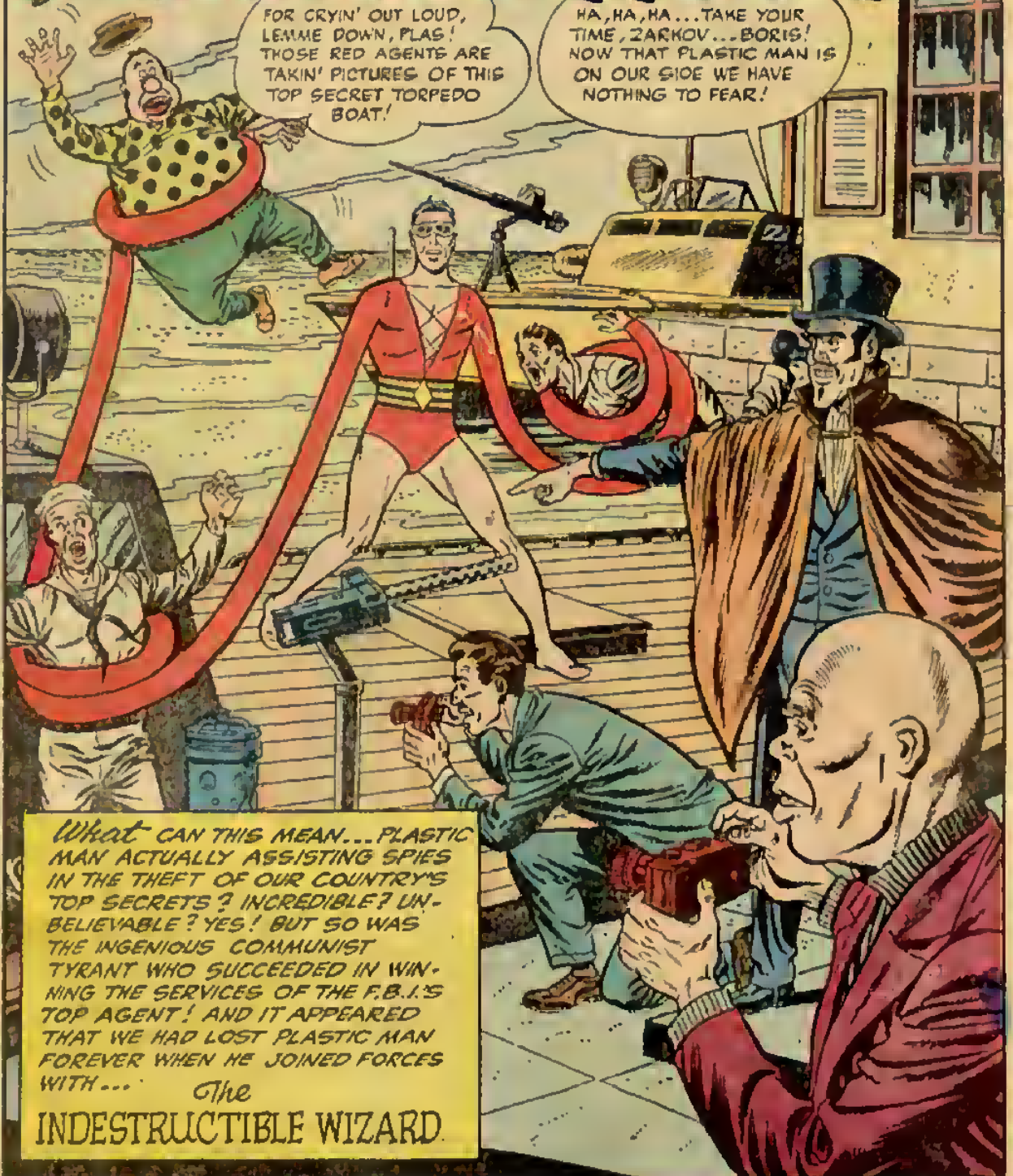




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# Plastic Man



FOR CRYIN' OUT LOUD,  
LEMMIE DOWN, PLAS!  
THOSE RED AGENTS ARE  
TAKIN' PICTURES OF THIS  
TOP SECRET TORPEDO  
BOAT!

HA, HA, HA... TAKE YOUR  
TIME, ZARKOV... BORIS!  
NOW THAT PLASTIC MAN IS  
ON OUR SIDE WE HAVE  
NOTHING TO FEAR!

*What* CAN THIS MEAN... PLASTIC  
MAN ACTUALLY ASSISTING SPIES  
IN THE THEFT OF OUR COUNTRY'S  
TOP SECRETS? INCREDIBLE? UN-  
BELIEVABLE? YES! BUT SO WAS  
THE INGENUOUS COMMUNIST  
TYRANT WHO SUCCEEDED IN WIN-  
NING THE SERVICES OF THE F.B.I.'S  
TOP AGENT! AND IT APPEARED  
THAT WE HAD LOST PLASTIC MAN  
FOREVER WHEN HE JOINED FORCES  
WITH...

*The*  
**INDESTRUCTIBLE WIZARD**

# PLASTIC MAN

AN OMINOUS FIGURE APPROACHES THE GUARDHOUSE AT U.S. ARMY RADAR HEADQUARTERS! HE IS IMMEDIATELY CHALLENGED!

HALT! WHO GOES THERE?

MERELY A LOST SOLDIER! CITIZEN SEEKING INFORMATION, SOLDIER! DIRECTION TO THE CITY, PLEASE!

YOU GO DOWN THERE TWO BLOCKS AND... Y-YIPES!

HEY, JOE! WHATSA MATTER?

T-THERE WAS A GUY HERE JUST A SECOND AGO! I WAS TELLIN' HIM THE WAY TO TOWN AND... HE DISAPPEARED IN A PUFF OF SMOKE!

HUH? ARE YOU ALL RIGHT IN THE HEAD, JOE? WHO ARE YOU TRYING TO KID?

IT'S THE TRUTH... HONEST! YA GOTTA BELIEVE ME... THE GUY VANISHED!

HEY... YOU'RE REALLY SERIOUS! I'M CALLIN' IN FOR RELIEF AND BRINGING YOU OVER TO THE MEDICS! YOU'VE GONE GUARD HAPPY!

HE, HE, HE... BLINDING THAT GUARD WITH FLASK POWDER GAVE ME THE SPLIT SECOND I NEEDED TO SLIP PAST HIM UNDETECTED!

MOMENTS LATER, IN THE CORRIDOR LEADING TO THE OFFICE WHERE TOP SECRET INFORMATION IS FILED...

HEY, YOU... STOP! OR I'LL SHOOT!

FOOL! YOUR THREAT DOES NOT FRIGHTEN ME! BULLETS CANNOT HARM...

...A GHOST!

G-GULP! A-A...GHOST! I MUST BE SEEING THINGS! IT MUST BE A GAG...THERE'S ONE WAY TO FIND OUT!

T-THE BULLETS...THEY'RE NOT AFFECTIN' HIM! LEMME OUT OF HERE! IT... IS A GHOST!

HA, HA, HA... HO, HO, HO!

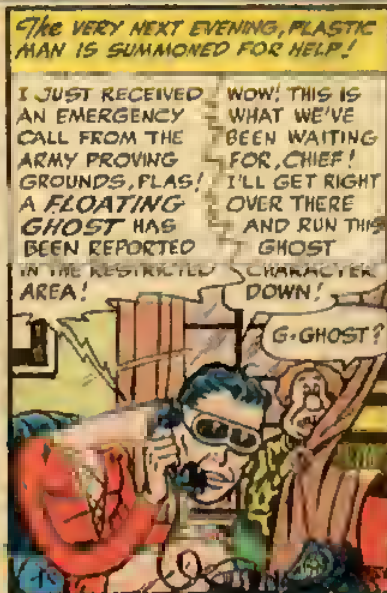
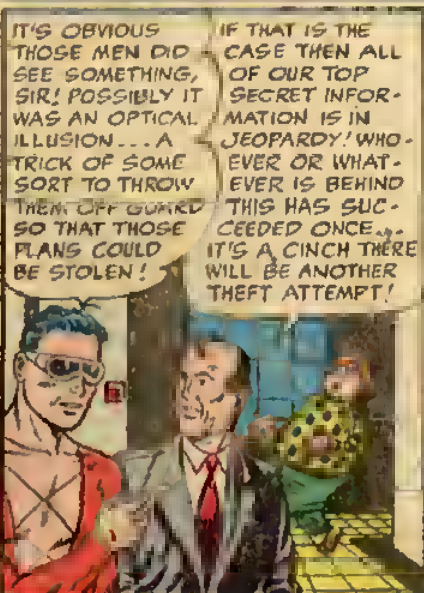
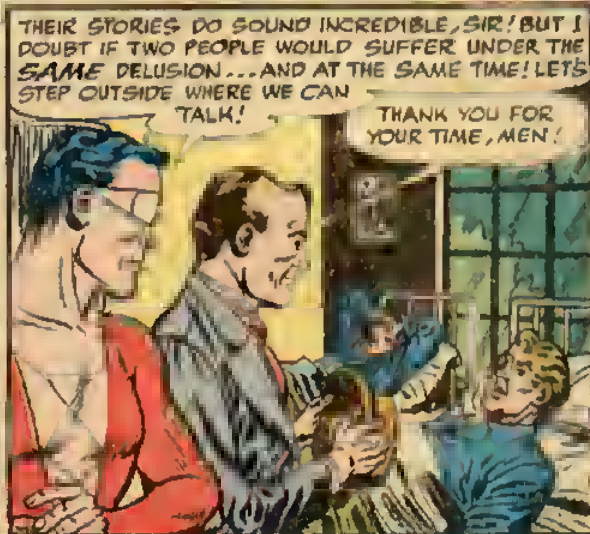
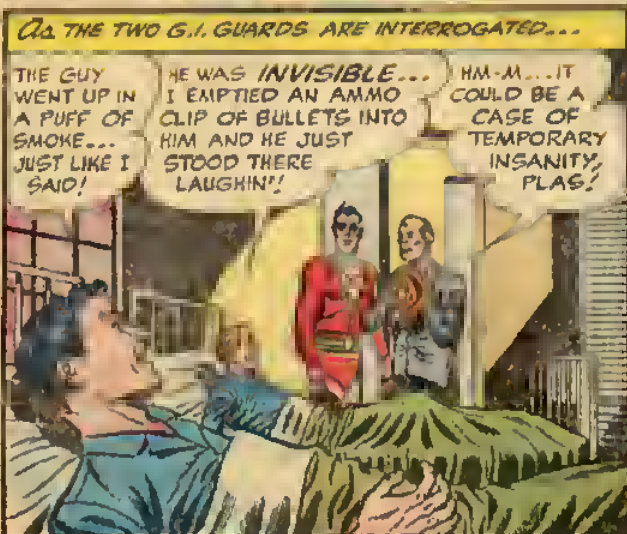
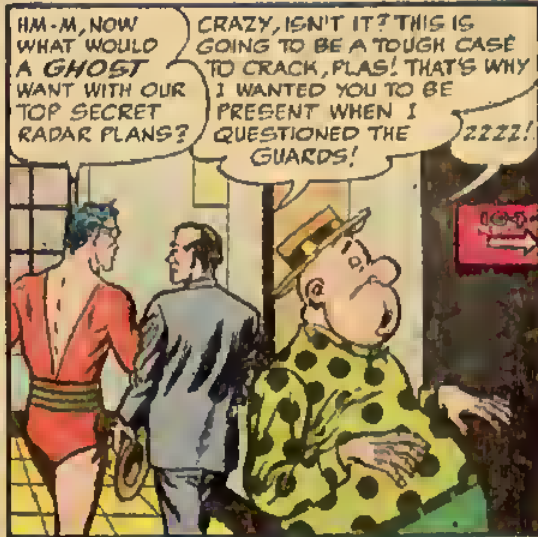
THOSE SLUGS ARE BOUNCING OFF MY BULLET-PROOF VEST LIKE PEBBLES! NOW TO TAKE THIS LUMINOUS MASK OFF AND GET TO WORK!

BLAM!  
BLAM!



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Thus in the dead of night F.B.I. Agent Plastic Man and his chubby assistant, Woozy Winks, arrive at an army hospital in response to their superior's urgent call!



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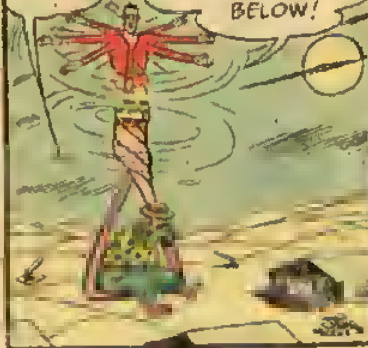
RIGHT, WOODY... PROBABLY THE SAME ONE THAT HAUNTED THE RADAR HEADQUARTERS! GET READY! YOU'RE GOING TO DO A LITTLE FLYING!



OH, OH... I GET AIR-SICK AWFUL EASY! BUT IF YOU SAY SO, FLAS, OKAY!

**TWISTING HIS BODY COUNTLESS TIMES, THE MAN OF RUBBER REVERSES HIS ACTION AND BECOMES A HUMAN HELICOPTER!**

I-I CAN'T LOOK! THIS IS MURDER, FLAS!



WE'LL BE LANDING IN A MINUTE, WOODY! THE ARMY PROVING GROUND IS RIGHT DOWN BELOW!

LANDING, THE FAMED TEAM CAN HARDLY BELIEVE THEIR EYES AS...

J. JUMPING JEHOASHAPHAT! DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE, FLAS?

A... FLOATING GHOST, WOODY! I THINK I'LL JOIN HIM AND HOLD A LITTLE SEANCE... HE'S GOT THE ANSWERS TO SOME QUESTIONS I'D LIKE TO ASK!



AW... HAVE A HEART, FLAS! YOU KNOW I CAN'T KEEP UP WITH YOU AS FLAS-CYCLE!



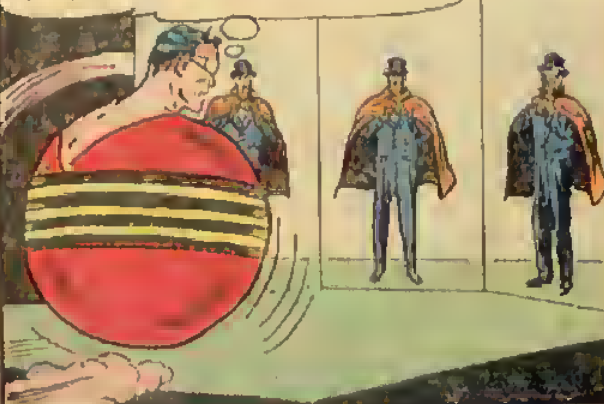
SORRY, WOODY, BUT WE CAN'T AFFORD TO HAVE THAT CHARACTER FLOAT OUT OF OUR GRASP!

GREAT SCOTT! THERE ARE **THREE** OF THEM... TRIPLETS! AND THEY'RE TAKING PICTURES OF THE ARMY'S SECRET TANK! I'VE GOT TO BOWL THEM OVER FAST!



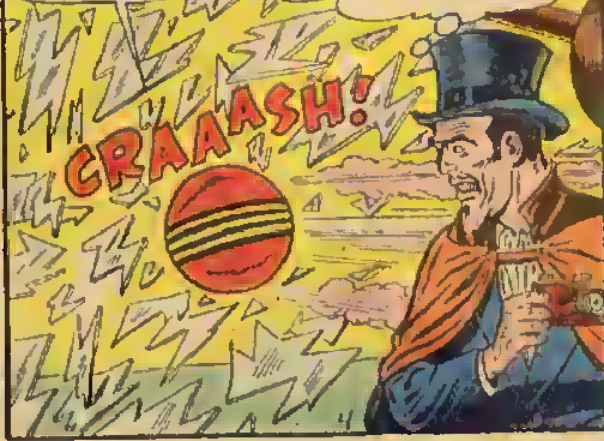
**RESHAPING HIMSELF, THE INCREDIBLE MAN OF PLASTIC BECOMES A HUMAN BOWLING BALL!**

KM-M... THAT'S MIGHTY ODD! THEY SHOULD HAVE SPOTTED ME BY NOW... GUESS THEY'RE TOO BUSY WITH THEIR SNEAKY WORK!



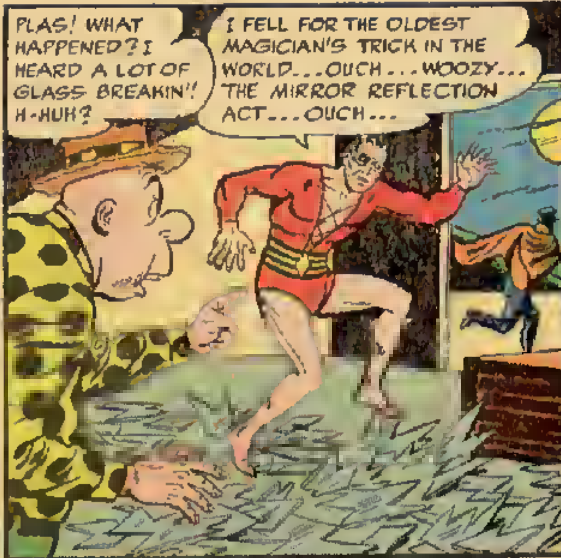
W-WHA... A MIRROR! THE GLASS... IT MAY PUNCTURE ME FOR KEEPS!

SO... THE RUBBER MAN IS AFTER ME! I WILL TAKE CARE OF HIM ANOTHER DAY... RIGHT NOW I MUST ESCAPE WITH THESE PHOTOGRAPHS!



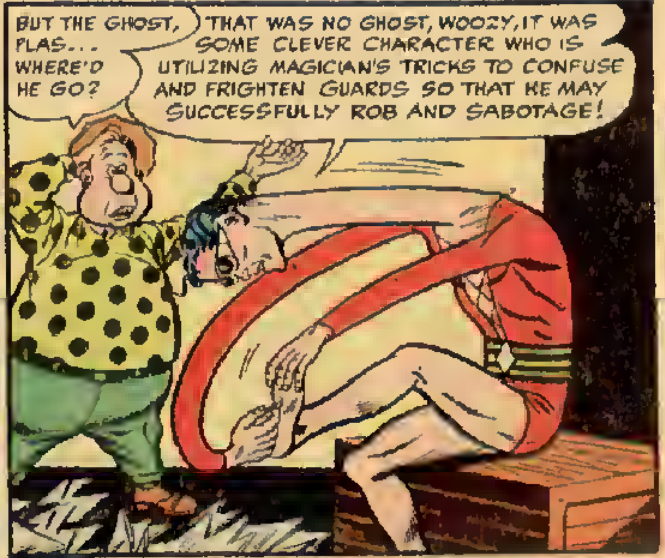


# PLASTIC MAN



PLAS! WHAT HAPPENED? I HEARD A LOT OF GLASS BREAKIN'! H-HUH?

I FELL FOR THE OLDEST MAGICIAN'S TRICK IN THE WORLD...OUCH...WOOTZ... THE MIRROR REFLECTION ACT...OUCH...



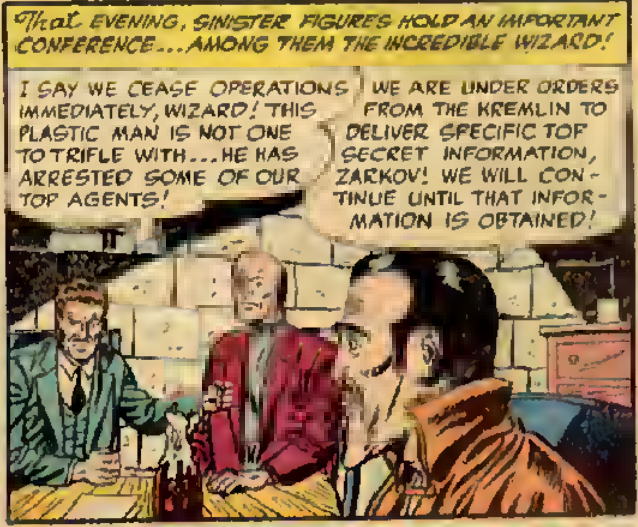
BUT THE GHOST, WHERE'D HE GO?

THAT WAS NO GHOST, WOOTZ, IT WAS PLAS... SOME CLEVER CHARACTER WHO IS UTILIZING MAGICIAN'S TRICKS TO CONFUSE AND FRIGHTEN GUARDS SO THAT HE MAY SUCCESSFULLY ROB AND SABOTAGE!



SEE... HE SOMEHOW SNEAKED IN HERE AND PLANTED THESE INVISIBLE WIRES BEFORE HE WENT INTO HIS FLOATING GHOST ROUTINE! WE HAD BETTER NOTIFY CHIEF BRANNER ABOUT THIS...THIS WIZARD AT ONCE!

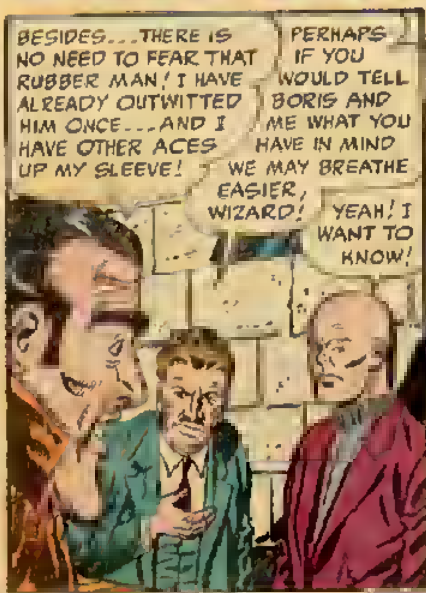
GEE... I'LL SAY HE'S A WIZARD! HOW WE GONNA PINCH A GUY LIKE THAT, PLAS?



THAT EVENING, SINISTER FIGURES HOLD AN IMPORTANT CONFERENCE... AMONG THEM THE INCREDIBLE WIZARD!

I SAY WE CEASE OPERATIONS IMMEDIATELY, WIZARD! THIS PLASTIC MAN IS NOT ONE TO TRIFLE WITH... HE HAS ARRESTED SOME OF OUR TOP AGENTS!

WE ARE UNDER ORDERS FROM THE KREMLIN TO DELIVER SPECIFIC TOP SECRET INFORMATION, ZARKOV! WE WILL CONTINUE UNTIL THAT INFORMATION IS OBTAINED!



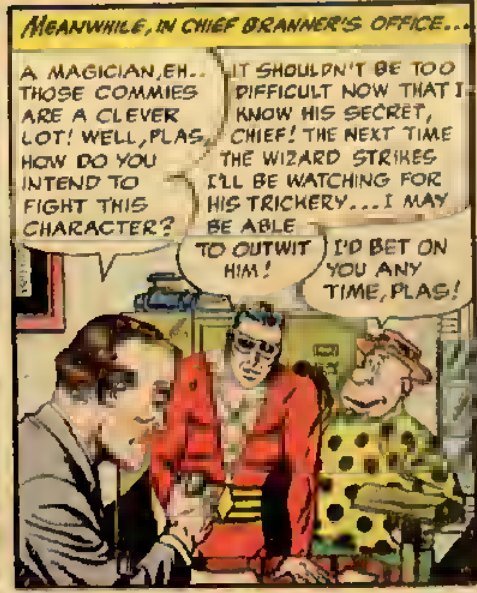
BESIDES... THERE IS NO NEED TO FEAR THAT RUBBER MAN! I HAVE ALREADY OUTWITTED HIM ONCE... AND I HAVE OTHER ACES UP MY SLEEVE!

PERHAPS IF YOU WOULD TELL BORIS AND ME WHAT YOU HAVE IN MIND WE MAY BREATHE EASIER, WIZARD!

YEAH! I WANT TO KNOW!



IDIOTS! A GREAT MAGICIAN DOES NOT REVEAL HIS SECRETS... EVEN TO THOSE IN HIS CONFIDENCE! HOWEVER, I WILL PROMISE YOU THIS... PLASTIC MAN WILL NOT TROUBLE US AFTER MY NEXT MEETING WITH HIM!



MEANWHILE, IN CHIEF BRANNER'S OFFICE...

A MAGICIAN, EH... THOSE COMMIES ARE A CLEVER LOT! WELL, PLAS, HOW DO YOU INTEND TO FIGHT THIS CHARACTER?

IT SHOULDN'T BE TOO DIFFICULT NOW THAT I KNOW HIS SECRET, CHIEF! THE NEXT TIME THE WIZARD STRIKES I'LL BE WATCHING FOR HIS TRICKERY... I MAY BE ABLE TO OUTWIT HIM!

I'D BET ON YOU ANY TIME, PLAS!



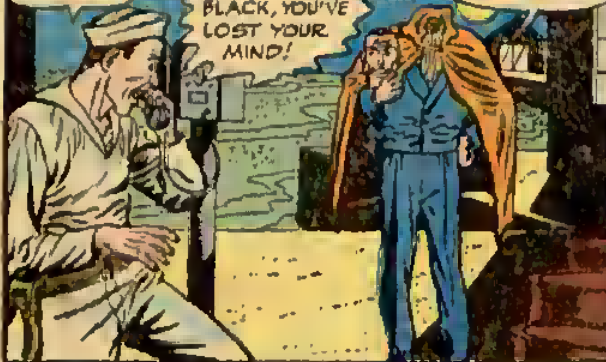
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THE NEXT EVENING, A TERRIFIED SPECIAL GUARD MAKES A STARTLING REPORT TO HIS SUPERIOR FROM THE NAVY YARD!

IT'S A HEADLESS MAN... WALKING TOWARD ME, SIR! HE'S... IT'S LAUGHING AT ME! THE VOICE IS COMING FROM ITS BODY!

HO, HO, HO... I'VE COME TO PAY YOU A VISIT, SAILOR!

BLACK, YOU'VE LOST YOUR MIND!



I-I'M GETTIN' OUT OF HERE! HELP!

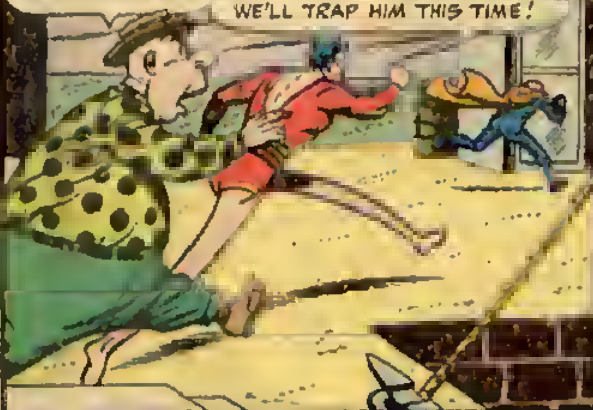
BLACK! GOOD GRIEF... HE'S RAVING MAD! WE'D BETTER REPORT THIS!



MINUTES LATER, PLASTIC MAN AND WOODY INVESTIGATE!

THERE HE GOES, PLAS... THAT WAREHOUSE!

YOU CLOSE THE FRONT DOORS, WOODY! I'LL GO AROUND BACK AND CUT OFF HIS ESCAPE! WE'LL TRAP HIM THIS TIME!



EXTENDING HIMSELF ONCE AGAIN, PLASTIC MAN BOUNDS OVER THE WAREHOUSE IN A SINGLE STRIDE!

HE'LL BE DASHING THROUGH THAT EXIT ANY SECOND NOW! THINK I'LL PLAY A LITTLE TRICK OF MY OWN!



I'LL JUST PRETEND TO BE A DOOR AND CLOSE IN HIS FACE WHEN HE MAKES HIS DASH FOR FREEDOM!



ODD... HE SHOULD HAVE COME THROUGH THERE BY NOW! PERHAPS HE DOUBLED BACK BEFORE WOODY COULD LOCK THE FRONT ENTRANCE! I'D BETTER HAVE A LOOK!

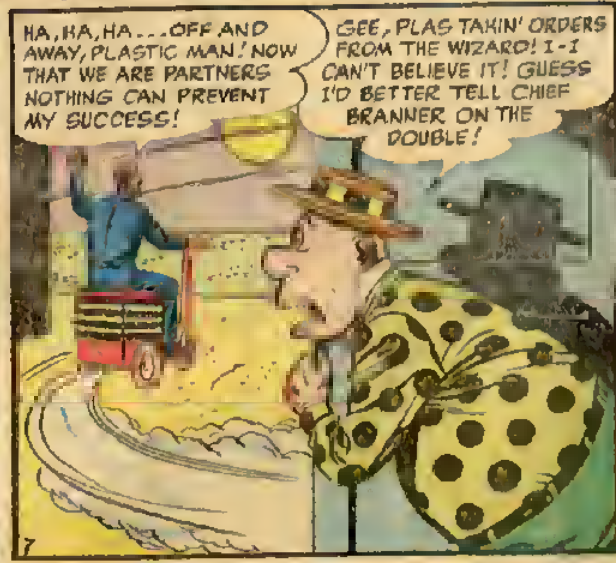
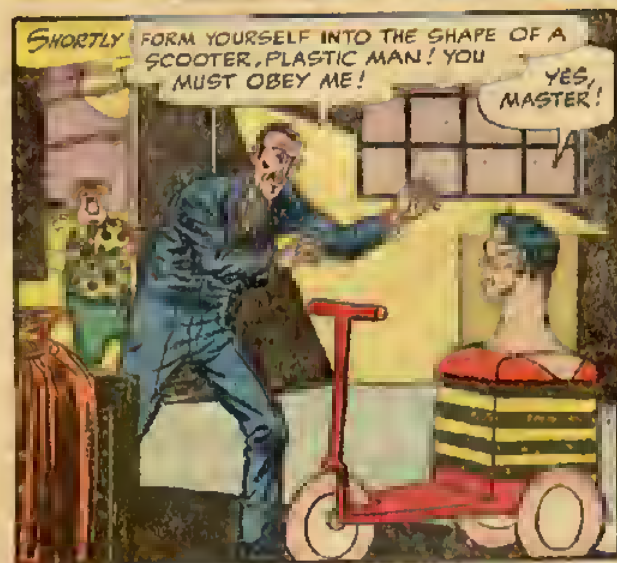
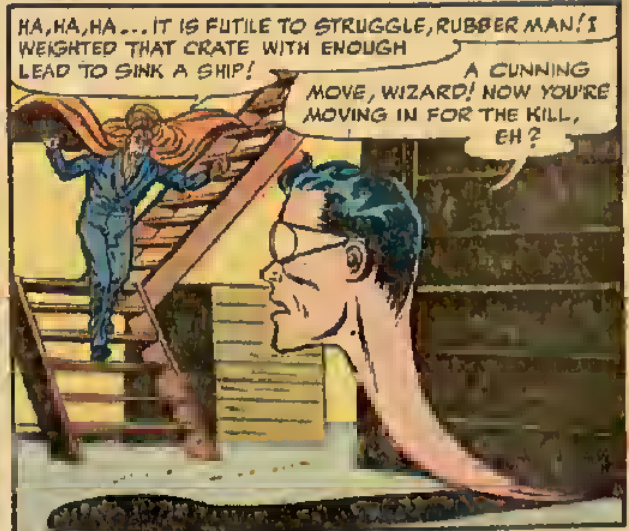
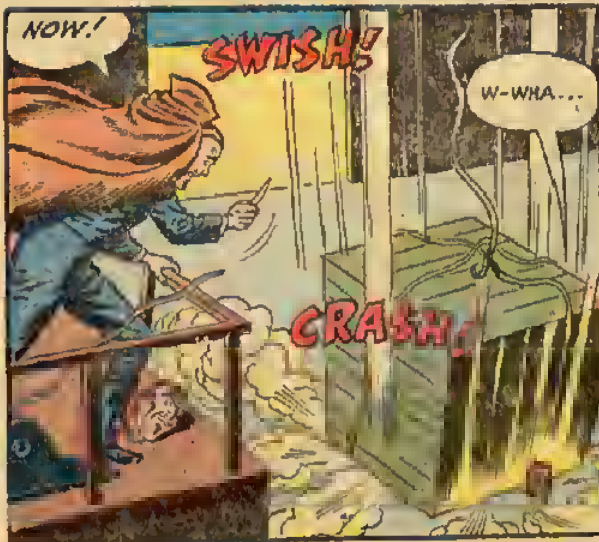


ANOTHER STEP, PLASTIC MAN, AND YOU WILL BE DOOMED!



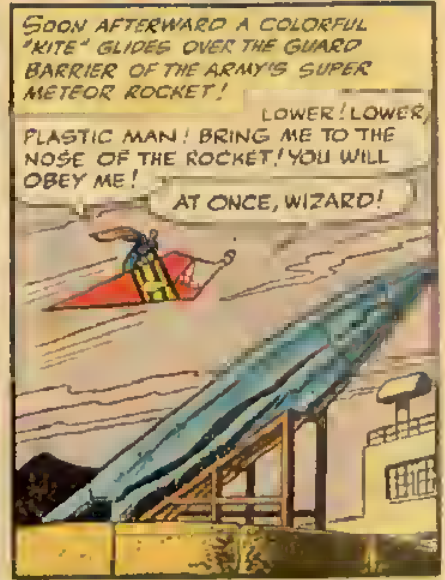
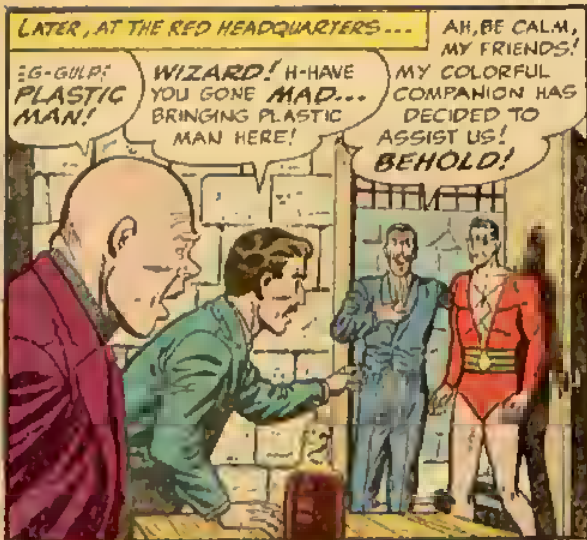


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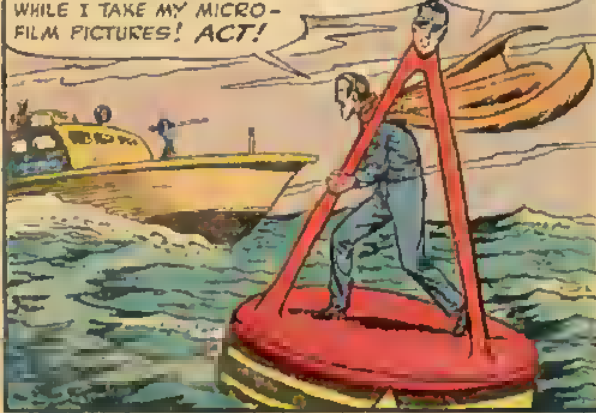


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And LATER, AT THE TESTING GROUNDS FOR THE NAVY'S NEW JET TORPEDO BOAT!

NOW, PLASTIC MAN! YOU WILL BECOME A PLASTIC OCTOPUS AND HOLD THE CREW WHILE I TAKE MY MICRO-FILM PICTURES! ACT!

I HEAR YOU, OH MIGHTY WIZARD!

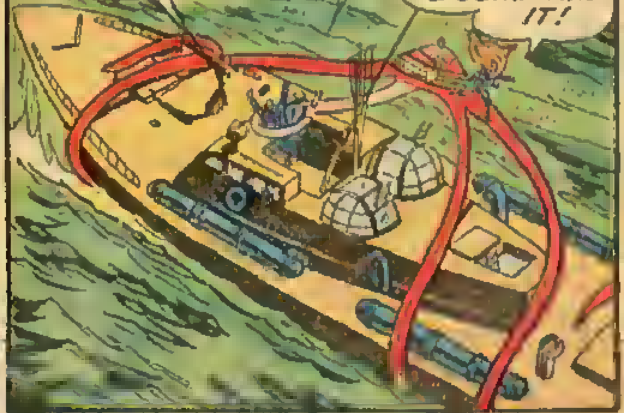


ABRUPTLY...

G-GREAT HORRORS!  
IT'S PLASTIC MAN... HE'S GONE MAD!

YEOW!

SEIZE THEM! DO NOT RELEASE THEM UNTIL I COMMAND IT!



MIRACULOUS! THERE'S NO LIMIT TO PLASTIC MAN'S POWER TO HELP THE CAUSE!



AH, THAT FINISHES MY WORK! A MOST REMARKABLE CRAFT! THE KREMLIN WILL PAY ME TOP HONORS FOR THIS WORK!



Then, ON DECK...

A SURF BOARD

FOR ESCAPE. PLASTIC MAN! I HAVE DISABLED THE JET ENGINE!



FASTER! FASTER! TAKE ME TO PIER 10! HA, HA! I'VE GOT A SURPRISE FOR YOU, PLASTIC MAN! YOU ARE GOING TO MOSCOW WITH ME! THE KREMLIN WILL HAVE GOOD USE FOR YOUR SKILLS UNDER MY POWER!



MEANWHILE, ON SHORE...

CHIEF BRANNER! THERE'S PLASTIC MAN NOW! LOOKS LIKE HE'S INTO SOME MORE TROUBLE!

WE'LL HAVE TO SHOOT TO KILL! HE'S EITHER LOST HIS MIND OR TURNED TRAITOR!

G-GOSH, PLEASE, CHIEF BRANNER! PLAS WOULDN'T DO ALL THESE TERRIBLE THINGS... THERE'S GOTTA BE SOME EXPLANATION!





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And AT PIER 30 A MOMENT LATER...

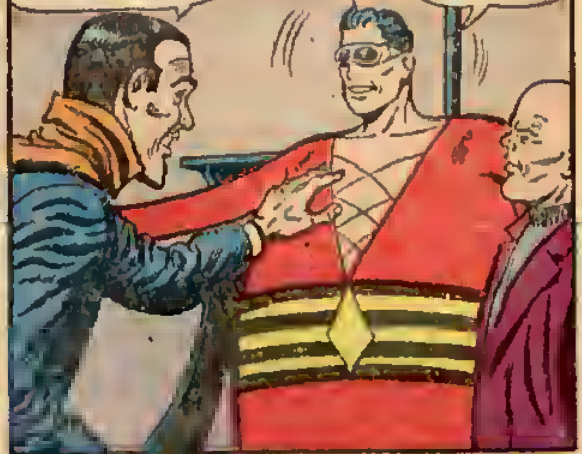
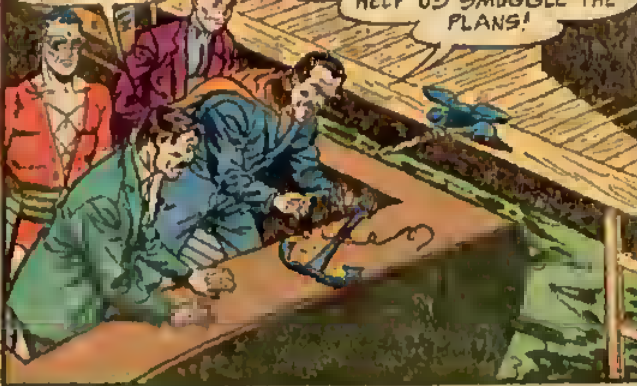
SO THAT'S WHERE YOU HIDE THE RADAR PLANS AND TANK MICRO FILM PICTURES!

WE WILL PASS THROUGH CUSTOMS AND BOARD THE RUSSIAN FREIGHTER FOR HOME! AND THE BOUNCING BALL WILL HELP US SMUGGLE THE PLANS!

EXACTLY, ZARKOV! NOW

PLASTIC MAN! YOU WILL BECOME A... SUITCASE!

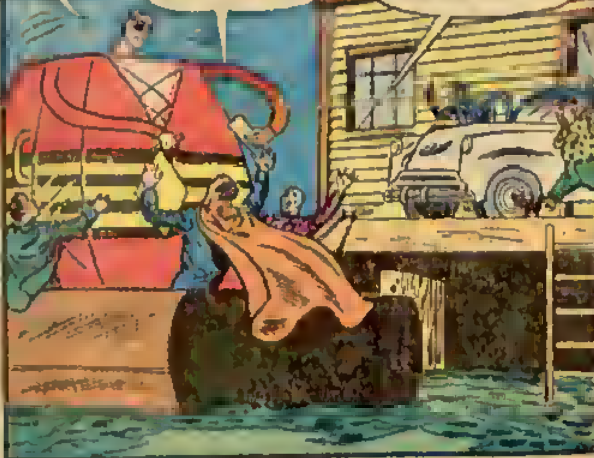
WITH PLEASURE, WIZARD...



HOW'S... THIS?

YIHIPE! NO, NO, SMALLER! MAKE YOURSELF... A... A GOAT!

EEEEIIK!



YOUR WISH IS MY COMMAND, PAL!

DOOMP!

LOOK OUT!

G-GOLLY!



EASY, EASY, PLASTIC MAN! WE KNOW YOU'RE A SICK MAN BUT WE'LL SHOOT IF WE HAVE TO!

DON'T WORRY, CHIEF, WOODY... I'M PERFECTLY ALL RIGHT! WIZARD THOUGHT HE HAD ME HYPNOTIZED BUT IT WAS JUST A GAME!

HE DIDN'T REALIZE THAT HIS HYPNOTIC GAZE COULDN'T PENETRATE THROUGH MY GOGGLES! YOU SEE, I PLAYED ALONG AFTER SPOILING THE MICRO FILM IN HIS CAMERA BECAUSE I HAD TO FIND WHERE THE GOOD

FILMS OF THE... WHEW! GOSH, RADAR PLANS AND TANK MICRO PICTURES WERE HIDDEN! NOBODY COULD ACTUALLY MAKE YOU DO THOSE THINGS!



OKAY, YOU WITCHY WIZARD... NOW I'M HYPNOTIZING YOU WITH FIFTY YEARS IN JAIL!

